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ORDER DESIGNATING SUPERVISING JUDGES TO PERFORM CERTAIN FUNCTIONS

General Order 90-3, filed January 18, 1990, is hereby REAFFIRMED; this order delegates to the Supervising Judge in each venue of the Hearing Department the Presiding Judge's authority to reassign pending cases from one full-time Hearing Judge to another within the same venue upon a determination that the Hearing Judge originally assigned has recused himself or herself or is otherwise unavailable to serve without undue delay in the proceeding.

The Supervising Judge in each venue of the Hearing Department is further delegated authority and designated to perform the following functions:

- 1. Reassignment of pending cases from one full-time Hearing Judge to another within the same venue when necessary in order to facilitate consolidation of matters pending in the Hearing Department pursuant to rule 108, Rules of Procedure for State Bar Court Proceedings (eff. Jan. 1, 1995).
- 2. Ruling upon motions to disqualify the assigned judge in a proceeding in the Hearing Department pursuant to rule 106(f), Rules of Procedure for State Bar Court Proceedings (eff. Jan. 1, 1995), provided, however, that if the Supervising Judge himself or herself is the assigned judge who is being challenged, the motion shall be ruled upon by the Assistant Supervising Judge in the venue, or, if the Assistant Supervising Judge is absent or unavailable, the motion shall be ruled upon by the Supervising Judge in the other venue.
- 3. In addition to assigning a judge to rule upon urgent motions pursuant to rule 1200, Rules of Practice of the State Bar Court (eff. Jan. 1, 1995), each Supervising Judge may take any other urgently needed action in cases assigned to any Hearing Judge in the same venue while that judge is temporarily absent or unavailable, provided that if both the Supervising Judge and the Assistant Supervising Judge in the same venue as the assigned Hearing Judge are absent or unavailable, the Supervising Judge in the other venue may exercise this function.

Lise A. Pearlman, Presiding Judge